

# MONEY

*in real life*



## So, You Got a Promotion

**Congratulations! You earned this — and it's time to celebrate. But before the confetti settles, let's talk money.**

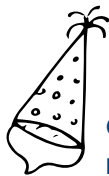
**Truth:** Promotions bring financial changes.

**Helpful truth:** The more you plan ahead, the easier the transition.



### **Bigger paycheck, adjusted spending plan**

Consider increasing your retirement account contributions.



### **Celebrate with quality, not quantity**

Mark the occasion by setting a cost limit you won't regret.



### **More money, potentially different tax bracket**

Depending on your raise, you may move into a different tax bracket.



### **New rank, new uniforms**

Consider setting aside some of your first paycheck to cover uniform modifications.



### **Changes in pay, potential changes in allowances**

Depending on your living situation, you may see adjustments to your allowances.



### **Shift in pay, potential shift in service costs**

Your new rank could bring an increase in costs for sliding scale services, like care at the child development center.

**Be proud of your accomplishments — and be smart with your finances.**

As you reach new milestones and complete [service-required trainings](#), look to the Office of Financial Readiness [website](#) for more information and follow @DoDFINRED on

